

**WAVENET IMAGE COMPRESSION**  
**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A method of image compression comprises the steps of recursively transforming a image  
5 using a Discrete Wavelet Transform. This creates a plurality of levels including at least a first level,  
multiple intermediate levels, and a low-low pass subband of the last level. The transformed image  
at each level is quantized, and datapacking the quantized image is performed. The step of  
datapacking further includes, encoding of the first level using adaptive run length of zero  
coefficients; encoding of the intermediate levels using run-length coding of zero coefficients and a  
10 predetermined two-knob huffman table for non-zero coefficients and encoding of the low-low pass  
subband using a low frequency packing algorithm.